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TAGS: ENRG, ETRN, ID, JA

SUBJECT: LIQUID NATURAL GAS TRANSPORT BETWEEN INDONESIA  
AND JAPAN

REF: STATE 67934

1. DEPTOFF CONVERSED APRIL 19 WITH JOHN CHRISTY,  
INTERNATIONAL UTILITIES' VICE PRESIDENT FOR TRANSPORTATION  
SERVICES. HE REPORTED GOI TRADE MINISTER RADIUS PRAWIRO  
CURRENTLY IN TOKYO TRYING TO NAIL DOWN GOJ COMMITMENT TO  
FINANCE REMAINING PART OF LNG TERMINAL COST OVERRUN AND  
APPARENTLY WAS BEING IMPORTUNED BY JAPANESE GOVERNMENT  
TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION SIXTH AND SEVENTH LNG TANKERS IN  
JAPAN. JAPANESE SAID TO BE CLAIMING GENERAL DYNAMICS  
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MEET ITS TANKER DELIVERY SCHEDULE,  
EVEN IF BURMAH TANKERS CAN TEMPORARILY USE CERTAIN  
UNEMPLOYED EASCO TANKERS TO CARRY INITIAL LNG SHIPMENTS  
FROM BADAK FIELD EARLY NEXT YEAR.

2. UNLESS PERTAMINA ACTS SOON TO ACCEPT OR OTHERWISE  
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ACT ON TWO-TANKER OFFER MADE BY INTERNATIONAL UTILITIES

IN DECEMBER (PARA 4 REFTTEL), IT WILL LAPSE ON APRIL 21.

3. FOR WHATEVER IT IS WORTH, CHRISTY STATES BURMAH TANKERS

HAS "DESPERATELY BAD NEWS" ON SITUATION AT GENERAL  
DYNAMICS AND CANNOT BRING ITSELF TO TELL PERTAMINA. ROBINSON

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